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BATTERY POST

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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated January 21, 2004. In the Office Action, all pending claims 1, 3, 4 and 9-13 were rejected. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and allowance of all pending claims.

On page 2 of the Office Action, claims 1 and 9 were rejected Under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated by Kimber, U.S. Patent No. 5,108,302. Further, on page 3 of the Office Action, claims 1, 3, 4 and 10 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Trafton, U.S. Patent No. 5,865,638. Also, on page 4 of the Office Action, claims 11-13 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Trafton.

Claim 1 includes "a first contact . . . a second contact . . . and an electrical insulator between the first contact and the second contact to align the surface of the first contact and the surface of the second contact against the surface of the post and thereby form a Kelvin connection to the post, wherein the first

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